IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

SAVERIO CARL FALCO ET AL. CONFIRMATION NO. 9737

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EXAMINER: MCELWAIN, E. F.

FOR: CHIMERIC GENES AND METHODS FOR INCREASING THE LYSINE

CONTENT OF THE SEEDS OF PLANTS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 25, 2007. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and submit the following in support thereof.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

Attachments: Appendices A, B, C, and D